Bible Reading from the Old Testament

Isaiah 25: verses 6 to 9 Praise for Deliverance from Oppression

On this mountain the Lord of hosts will make for all peoples

a feast of rich food, a feast of well-matured wines,

of rich food filled with marrow, of well-matured wines strained clear.

And he will destroy on this mountain

the shroud that is cast over all peoples,

the sheet that is spread over all nations;

he will swallow up death for ever.

Then the Lord God will wipe away the tears from all faces,

and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth,

for the Lord has spoken.

It will be said on that day,

Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us.

This is the Lord for whom we have waited; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.

This is the word of the Lord. All: Thanks be to God.

First Reading at Service Bible Reading from the New Testament

Acts 10: verses 34 to 43 Gentiles Hear the Good News

Then Peter began to speak to them: 'I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right

is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ-he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.'

This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Second Reading at Service Gospel Reading

John 20: verses 1 to 18 The Resurrection of Jesus

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, 'They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him.' Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went towards the tomb. The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, and the cloth that had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. Then the disciples returned to their homes.

Jesus Appears to Mary Magdalene

But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. They said to her, 'Woman, why are you weeping?' She said to them, 'They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him.' When she had said this, she turned round and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to her, 'Woman, why are you weeping? For whom are you looking?' Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, 'Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away.' Jesus said to her, 'Mary!' She turned and said to him in Hebrew, 'Rabbouni!' (which means Teacher). Jesus said to her, 'Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, "I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God." ' Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, 'I have seen the Lord'; and she told them that he had said these things to her.

This is the word of the Lord. **All: Thanks be to God.**

Notices

Refreshments – join us for a cuppa, biscuit, and chat after the service at the back of church. If you would like to help serving drinks, a new rota until the end of May is on the noticeboard, please sign your name down. You only need to bring milk and biscuits!

Revision of Electoral Roll for St Michael's

Church, Kirk Langley – 2024 - The annual revision of the church Electoral Roll is to take place between 17 Mar -7 April in preparation for the Annual Parochial Church Meeting which will be held in Church on Sunday 21 April. To be actively involved at the meeting you need to be on the Electoral Roll. Please contact Susan Radford or any PCC member before 7 April if you would like to be added to the roll.

All Saints' Mackworth - . Rebuilding Our Mission Project (ROMP) UPDATE - Our building contractors have been on site since November 2023. They are making steady progress in the rebuilding of the walls and roof. Locally sourced stone has been delivered to the site and being cut to size by skilled workmen.

The path from Lower Road down to the church has been resurfaced making it easier for ramblers and parishioners wishing to access the graveyard. Meanwhile, we are working to a timeline of 4 June 2024 to feedback our plans for the design and reordering of the church interior to the Diocese for their consideration. This includes the design and choice of stained-glass windows and furniture and a stained glass artist and carpenter have been commissioned to help us with this work. Good progress is being made and the PCC is working at a pace with our architects to meet the 4 June timeline. We will be consulting further on these designs with the statutory bodies (including Historic England) as well as our congregation and local residents in the next few weeks. So everybody who has an interest will all have the opportunity to have a further say on the final drawings before they are submitted to the Diocese. A storyboard is also being set up on the site for all passers by and visitors to read at their leisure. This will be complete in the next few weeks.

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WELCOME TO ST MICHAEL'S CHURCH KIRK LANGLEY

Sunday 31st March 2024 Easter Day



The service today is Holy Communion

If you have a prayer request, please pass to the Church Warden

Please take this leaflet home with you for reference.